

Six Torrance Men Attending State CIO Council Parley In San Francisco

Six Torrance men are in San Francisco attending the 8th annual convention of the California CIO Council which opened yesterday.

Heading the Torrance group are Kenneth Beight, vice president of the California CIO Council and president of the Los Angeles Industrial Council, and Alex McJannett, president of Local Union 1414, United Steelworkers of America; Beight is delegate of the Los Angeles Industrial Council as well as attending in his capacity as vice president of the California Council.

Others attending from Local 1414 are J. J. Gallyer, vice president; Wayne Sidwell, recording secretary; Walter Smith, financial secretary, and Fred Robinson, chairman of the grievance committee.

The convention will last several days.

"Jobs for All" is the keynote of the convention. Emphasis will be laid on increased political action through political action committees in local unions and on organization of employees not now in AFL or CIO.

Speakers will include Col. Evans Carlson, United States Marine Corps, leader of "Carlson's Raiders"; Sidney Hillman, chairman of CIO's national political action committee; and Harry Bridges, California CIO director and president of the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union.

A broad program aimed at state development and speedy reversion of industry for peace, will be projected at the convention, it was said.

Issues before the convention will include action in behalf of the Central Valley project as outlined by the Bureau of Reclamation, according to material released to affiliated unions by Mervyn Rathbone, state secretary, and James G. Thimmes, president.

Creation of a state Reconstruction Finance Corporation, with a capitalization of at least \$500 millions is projected, to assist private enterprise, particularly small business, to convert plants for peacetime production, to create new industries, and to assist in the financing of the Urban Redevelopment Law adopted by last session of the Legislature.

A state department of commerce and development to aid business and agriculture in solution of marketing, product development, technological and research problems, is called for.

Appropriate action by the governor and the legislature to obtain a Pacific Coast office of the Office of War Mobilization and Reconversion, will be up for discussion by convention delegates.

Issues of general interest which may occupy convention time will be candidates in the 1948 elections, support to the CIO Food and Tobacco Workers'

VFW Post Plans World War II Drill Team

Torrance post No. 3251, Veterans of Foreign Wars, with a membership of more than 350 veterans, is organizing a drill team consisting of World War II veterans, according to Commander C. Earl Conner, of the post.

The team will be prepared soon to stage the colorful initiation ceremonies of the VFW, he said.

At the meeting of the post on Monday night, Fred Marsteller was elected chaplain, to fill out the unexpired term of Tom Bray, whose business has prevented him from attending meetings.

A New Year's Eve dance will be staged by the post in Civic Auditorium, it was announced, and Vern Coll is the chairman of this affair.

DARBY PLANS

According to Supervisor Raymond V. Darby, it is the plan of the county road department to improve Century blvd. between Western ave. and Prairie ave. during the spring of 1946. The improvement to consist of installation of curbs and gutters and a pavement 76 feet in width.

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Lt. Doris A. Murphy, ANC, who has seen many years of service both at home and abroad during the war.

The real burden is just beginning, she said, as the long-range veterans' rehabilitation program is being undertaken. Meanwhile, thousands of wounded men still remain in hospitals overseas who must not be forgotten, she declared.

She was introduced to the club by Robert McCallum, Torrance war finance chairman, who is conducting a windup

campaign in Torrance to put the Victory Bond drive over the top.

Another speaker, Stan Rousso, of the public information department of Calverts Distillers Corp., told an interesting story of the major position occupied by the alcoholic beverage industry in its relation to other major industries in this country. He pointed out how the industry has helped our government during the wartime period. He told of the tremendous amount of taxes paid on

alcoholic beverages—one billion, 900 million dollars during the past year alone, with over 13 billion dollars in taxes paid during the past 11 years since repeal.

Installed as members of the club were John McEwen, vice president and manager of International Derrick & Equipment Co., Torrance; A. G. Schilling, cleaner and dyer, and Frank Jakubowski, manager of Ralph's Liquor Store.

Other guests were Bob Wilton, photographer, of Western

SAFE DRIVERS

In the opinion of Supervisor John Anson Ford, county government employees using automobiles on public business are pretty safe drivers. The Supervisor based this statement on the fact that the county has received a \$15,440.72 reimbursement for automobile insurance premium adjustment.

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